

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

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Week of May 18 — May 24



COMMUNITY ALERT

Help to protect,
defend and gain
civil rights for all!

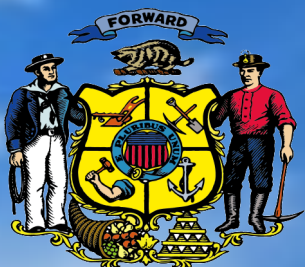
Register today for the
Rainbow PUSH
Coalition 43rd Annual
International
Convention!

June 28—July 2
Chicago, IL

Dear Friend,

Thank you for reading the
legislative update. I hope you
find the information provided
here useful.

As Always, I'm
Here to Serve!



RECOGNIZING MEMORIAL DAY

This Monday, May 26th we will honor our veterans in celebration of Memorial Day. Although we should give thanks to our veterans year round, Memorial Day marks a special day on which we remember the men and women who died to protect us and our freedoms. We have soldiers from every generation who have fought and died for our country across the centuries of our nation's existence. On Memorial Day, we honor their memories and their sacrifice that they committed to our country. In order to honor these heroic citizens, we must not only be humble and thankful, but we must also remember to continue to improve upon the democracy that they died to protect. We are all both beneficiaries and overseers of democracy, and it is therefore our responsibility to promote and participate in that democracy. Ultimately, the continuation of our democratic government is the only way to ensure that those who have fallen will never be forgotten.



BIG MONEY TO BUY ELECTIONS?



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Last week, the Seventh Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals issued a decision to strike down significant portions of Wisconsin's protective campaign finance law, urging Wisconsin legislators to rewrite the state's laws on campaign finance. Some of my Republican colleagues have called this worrying decision a "victory for allies of the First Amendment," but the First Amendment should not be used as a tool by the wealthy to overwhelm and silence others. Freedom and individual liberty are protected and our society is most healthy when the individuals who are casting votes are informed, and have an equal opportunity to make their voices heard. As ranking member on the Senate Elections and Urban Affairs Committee, I will continue to fight for legislation that helps to protect and balance the freedom of speech while promoting greater transparency in our state.



Save the Date!

15th Annual "Men Who Cook" & the 5th Annual "Dads Who Cook!"

Saturday, September 13,
2014
11:00am - 5:00pm
The Parklawn YMCA
4340 N. 46th Street

For more information, and to register: <http://www.menwhocookwi.com/>

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AG CIRCILE UPDATE



Last March my office organized a gathering at the Growing Power Café to open a dialogue about how to promote agriculture projects, encourage local food production, and lay the groundwork for educational and artistic opportunities for Milwaukee and Wisconsin, with the goal of strengthening community development, economic growth, and sustainability. Invited were a variety of leaders in the community and field each offering a unique perspective on government, agriculture, art, education, or conservation. Because of the success, we are holding another meeting this Saturday, May 24th to continue our discussion on growing food in the community, creating local, well paying jobs, and charting a green path to sustainability.

CELEBRATING NATIONAL BIKE MONTH

Did you know that biking helps the environment, improves focus and concentration, reduces stress and anxiety, increases your memory, and is an inexpensive and efficient way to get to work or school? May is national bike month, a perfect time to begin such a beneficial hobby! A great way to get biking is by participating in one of the many upcoming charity bike rides in Milwaukee, such as the Trek 100 Ride for Hope benefitting the Midwest Athletes Against Childhood Cancer on Saturday June 7th, or the Tour de Cure benefitting the American Diabetes Association on Saturday June 14th. Make sure to wear your helmet and stay alert!



Wise Words of the Week!

Contact Us! We Enjoy Hearing From You!

"The vote is the most powerful instrument ever devised by man for breaking down injustice and destroying the terrible walls which imprison men because they are different from other men"

—Lyndon B. Johnson

"True heroism is remarkably sober, very undramatic. It is not the urge to surpass all others at whatever cost, but the urge to serve others at whatever cost"

— Arthur Ashe

